

**DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD
DISTRICT IV**

December 5, 2001 - 7:00 p.m.
Stanley/Aley Community School Center, 1749 S. Martinson
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Members Present

June Bailey
Paul Ward
Wayne Wells
Bea Vickers
Ed Koon
Iola Crandall
Tom Kessler
Jim Benton

Members Absent

Council Member Bill Gale
Dorman Blake
Jerry McGinty

Staff Present

Lt. M. Brent Allred, WPD
Officer Anthony Bamberger, Patrol South
Matt Jordan, CMO
Doug Kupper, Parks Director
Donte Martin, Neighborhood Assistant
Officer Richard Mellard, Patrol West
Jay Newton, Finance
Gene Rath, Public Works

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Ed Koon called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

Ed Koon asked if there were any changes to be made to the November 7th 2001 Minutes. **Bea Vickers** noted that Jim Benton was present at the November 7th meeting. **Wayne Wells** noted Delano Neighborhood Association would not meet in December and did meet during November. **Wells** also noted the word approved appears twice, consecutively, during the Environmental Health presentation summary. **June Bailey** moved to accept minutes as amended. **Vickers** gave a second. Minutes were approved 8-0.

Approval of Agenda

Ed Koon asked if there were any additions to the agenda. **Koon** suggested including an item on the Board Agenda to discuss materials included in this month's agenda packet related to MAPC meetings and construction projects. **June Bailey** moved the agenda be approved as amended and **Tom Kessler** gave a 2nd. The motion was approved 8-0.

Public Agenda

1. No items submitted.

Public Works Agenda

2. No items reported at this meeting.

Planning Agenda

3. No items reported at this meeting

Board Agenda

4. **Proposed Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) – Matt Jordan, Assistant to the City Manager**, presented a summary of the ten-year CIP. The ten-year CIP includes major construction projects as well as the purchase of large equipment with a life expectancy of at least ten years. The CIP will be presented to City Council during the month of January for adoption.

June Bailey asked when would work begin on West Street from Maple to Douglas. She recalled this being listed in the prior CIP. The current CIP only lists projects on West Street from Douglas to Central.

Gene Rath, Assistant City Engineer, responded the current CIP includes work on West Street from Maple to Central scheduled for 2006. Drainage work, including the installation of a trunk line from West Street to the river will begin 2004-2005. Rath offered to check and make sure the work is from Maple to Central.

Ed Koon asked what is going to be done to improve the safety of the West/Douglas Street intersection, and what improvements will be made immediately west of this intersection.

Rath responded the intersection would be widened and improved, however there are no plans to widen west of the intersection.

June Bailey asked about the decrease in funds going towards storm water management. Wanted to know what is planned west of West Street in the next 10 years.

Rath replied he was unsure of any current plans. David Warren would know. The City of Wichita hopes drainage in the area west of West Street will be benefited by work east of West Street.

Bailey asked Mr. Kupper to detail Park projects scheduled within the next ten years.

Doug Kupper, Director of Parks and Recreation, replied tennis courts will be renovated, Seneca Park will be improved, parking lots will be improved, there will be increased efforts to acquire land, and Emory Park will be upgraded with the addition of a fishing pond.

Paul Ward asked about the potential for screening the Central Maintenance Facility.

Kupper replied that the Design Council recommended screening the CMF. The recommendation is being considered.

Ward asked about improvements to the Pawnee/Palisade intersection and the railroad tracks on Pawnee.

Rath mentioned several corridors within the City of Wichita have been studied for improvements including this area. Improvements will be made. The track east of Broadway on Pawnee will go under an overpass and Rath was unsure about the tracks on SE Blvd.

Jim Benton asked about acquiring land adjacent to the South Branch YMCA.

Kupper replied that Parks Dept. seeks to partner with landowners in order to stretch limited funds for land acquisition. Parks Dept. may be interested in developing this area as a park through partnering with the landowner.

5. Professional Standards – Lt. M. Brent Allred, Professional Standards

Bureau, presented information concerning the Wichita Police Department's citizen complaint process. Due to negative perceptions associated with the title Internal Affairs the WPD is renaming this bureau Professional Standards. Along with the name change there will also be a change in focus.

These changes include: 1) completing complaint investigations within thirty days of filing; 2) conclusion letters will be sent to each complainant following each investigation; 3) officers will be briefed as to complaint trends during squad meetings; 4) a "One-Stop-Shop" system for handling citizen complaints will be instituted.

Citizens are also being encouraged to contact the Professional Standards Bureau when necessary to commend an officer for a job well done. The commendations are included the officers personnel file, and may be taken in consideration for promotions.

6. MAPC and Construction Mailings – Aaron Hamilton, Neighborhood

Assistant, asked the DAB to provide comments on their desire to receive mailings that include the MAPC meeting agenda and a schedule of Public Works construction projects.

The DAB members all agreed that the mailings are beneficial and they would like these items to be included in their agenda packets. If possible the members with email access would like to receive these documents electronically.

Announcements

7. The Board members made announcements.

June Bailey – announced Orchard Breeze would be having their annual Christmas party December 6, 2001 at Kiwanis Park. Bailey also announced she's been reelected president of the association and they will now meet every other month.

Wayne Wells – announced construction has begun on North Seneca from Maple to 3rd Street. Wells also announced that he has several truckloads of firewood he'd like to give to someone in need.

Jim Benton – Southwest Village NA is preparing for their Dec 11, 2001 Christmas party. On December 15, 2001 they will be having their annual Christmas light contest with judges from outside the area.

Bea Vickers – announced Southwest NA will be having their Christmas party December 11th at the SW Presbyterian Church. The party will begin at 6:30 and attendees are asked to bring a covered dish with food in it.

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the District IV Advisory Board will be January 16, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in the Stanley Neighborhood City Hall.

No Action Required.

With no further business, **Bailey** moved that the meeting be adjourned and **Kessler** seconded. **1st Chair Pro Tem Ed Koon** adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donte Martin
Neighborhood Assistant